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# S. 1808

To provide for the preservation and restoration of historic buildings at  
historically women’s public colleges or universities.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 31, 2003

Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. LOTT, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. INHOFE, and Mrs. HUTCHISON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To provide for the preservation and restoration of historic  
buildings at historically women’s public colleges or uni-  
versities.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Historically Women’s  
5       Public Colleges and Universities Historic Building Preser-  
6       vation and Restoration Act”.

7       **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

8       In this Act:

1           (1) HISTORICALLY WOMEN’S PUBLIC COLLEGE  
2           OR UNIVERSITY.—

3           (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “historically  
4           women’s public college or university” means a  
5           public institution of higher education that—

6                   (i) was established in the United  
7                   States by a law enacted by a State during  
8                   the 1884 through 1908 calendar years to  
9                   provide industrial, technical, or vocational  
10                  educational opportunities for women; and

11                  (ii) has 1 or more structures listed on  
12                  the National Register of Historic Places.

13           (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “historically  
14           women’s public college or university” includes  
15           each of the institutions listed in clauses (i)  
16           though (viii) of section 3(d)(2)(A).

17           (2) HISTORIC BUILDING OR STRUCTURE.—The  
18           term “historic building or structure” means a build-  
19           ing or structure—

20                   (A) listed, or eligible to be listed, on the  
21                   National Register of Historic Places;

22                   (B) designated as a national historic land-  
23                   mark; or

24                   (C) located within a designated historic  
25                   district.

1           (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
2           the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

3   **SEC. 3. PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION GRANTS FOR**  
4                   **HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AT**  
5                   **HISTORICALLY WOMEN’S PUBLIC COLLEGES**  
6                   **AND UNIVERSITIES.**

7           (a) AUTHORITY TO MAKE GRANTS.—From amounts  
8           appropriated to carry out the National Historic Preserva-  
9           tion Act (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.) for fiscal years 2004  
10          through 2008, the Secretary shall award grants in accord-  
11          ance with this section to historically women’s public col-  
12          leges and universities to pay the Federal share of the costs  
13          of the preservation and restoration of historic buildings  
14          and structures on the campuses of the colleges and univer-  
15          sities.

16          (b) GRANT CONDITIONS.—As a condition of the re-  
17          ceipt of a grant under subsection (a), a grantee shall agree  
18          that, for a period of time specified by the Secretary—

19               (1) no alteration shall be made to the property  
20               preserved or restored using grant funds without the  
21               concurrence of the Secretary; and

22               (2) reasonable public access to the property  
23               shall be permitted by the grantee for interpretive  
24               and educational purposes.

1       (c) COST SHARING FOR BUILDINGS AND STRUC-  
 2       TURES LISTED ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HIS-  
 3       TORIC PLACES.—

4               (1) FEDERAL SHARE.—Except as provided by  
 5       paragraph (2), the Federal share of the cost of a  
 6       grant for preservation or restoration of a historic  
 7       building or structure shall be 80 percent.

8               (2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The non-Federal  
 9       share of the cost of activities under a grant under  
 10      this subsection may be provided in cash or in the  
 11      form of in-kind goods or services.

12      (d) FUNDING PROVISIONS.—

13              (1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
 14      There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
 15      this Act \$14,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2004  
 16      through 2008.

17              (2) ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004.—

18                      (A) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts made  
 19      available under paragraph (1) for fiscal year  
 20      2004, \$2,000,000 shall be used to make a grant  
 21      to each of the following historically women's  
 22      public colleges and universities:

23                              (i) University of Montevallo in  
 24                              Montevallo, Alabama.

1 (ii) Georgia College and State Univer-  
2 sity in Milledgeville, Georgia.

3 (iii) Mississippi University for Women  
4 in Columbus, Mississippi.

5 (iv) University of North Carolina in  
6 Greensboro, North Carolina.

7 (v) University of Science and Arts of  
8 Oklahoma in Chickasha, Oklahoma.

9 (vi) Winthrop University in Rock Hill,  
10 South Carolina.

11 (vii) Texas Women's University in  
12 Denton, Texas.

13 (B) LESS THAN \$14,000,000 AVAILABLE.—If  
14 less than \$14,000,000 is made available under  
15 this subsection for fiscal year 2004, each of the  
16 institutions specified in subparagraph (A) shall  
17 receive  $\frac{1}{7}$  of the total amount made available.

18 (3) ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2005  
19 THROUGH 2008.—For each of fiscal years 2005  
20 through 2008, the Secretary shall distribute  $\frac{1}{7}$  of  
21 the total amount made available for the fiscal year  
22 under paragraph (1) to each of the grantees speci-  
23 fied in paragraph (2)(A).

1       (e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall promulgate  
2 such regulations as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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